

HONORABLE ROBERT S. LASNIK

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

WILD FISH CONSERVANCY,	)	Case No. 2:21-cv-00169-RSL
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Plaintiff,	)	JOINT STIPULATED MOTION TO
	)	EXTEND DEADLING FOR
v.	)	STATUS REPORT AND
	)	ORDER
WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH &	)	
WILDLIFE, et al.,	)	
	)	
Defendants.	)	
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Plaintiff Wild Fish Conservancy (“Conservancy”) and Defendants the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, et al. (“WDFW”) herby stipulate and respectfully move the Court to extend the deadline for filing a joint status report by forty-six (46) days, from May 21, 2021 to July 6, 2021.

The Court entered a Stipulation and Order, Dkt. No. 7, on March 5, 2021 that, *inter alia*, stayed these proceedings until WDFW received certain exemptions from liability under section 9 of the Endangered Species Act (“ESA”), 16 U.S.C. § 1538, for a new integrated summer steelhead hatchery program on the South Fork of the Skykomish River. Dkt. No. 7, p. 4, ¶ 5. The

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1 Stipulation and Order directed the Conservancy and WDFW (collectively, “Parties”) to confer  
 2 within fourteen (14) days of the expiration of stay and to file a joint status report within fourteen  
 3 (14) days of the conferral describing the Parties’ proposal(s) for further proceedings. *Id.* at p. 5,  
 4 ¶ 7. WDFW notified the Conservancy that it received two biological opinions (“BiOp”) that each  
 5 include exemptions from liability under section 9 of the ESA, 16 U.S.C. § 1538, for the hatchery  
 6 program on Friday April 23, 2021, and the Parties conferred on those exemptions and further  
 7 proceedings on Friday, May 7, 2021. Accordingly, the joint status report is currently due on  
 8 Friday, May 21, 2021.

10 The Conservancy is in the process of reviewing the two BiOps provided by WDFW, both  
 11 of which are relatively voluminous, and evaluating further proceedings. That process is ongoing  
 12 and has been delayed somewhat due to the Conservancy’s other pressing litigation deadlines.  
 13 The Conservancy has therefore requested additional time to complete its evaluations.

14 Accordingly, the Parties hereby respectfully move the Court to extend the deadline for  
 15 filing a joint status report by forty-six (46) days, from May 21, 2021 to July 6, 2021.

16 RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 19th day of May, 2021.

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ORDER

The Stipulated Joint Motion is hereby GRANTED.

The deadline for the Parties to file a joint status report is hereby extended by forty-six (46) days, from May 21, 2021 to July 6, 2021.

This action shall be stayed and removed from this Court's active caseload until further application by the Parties or order of this Court.

DATED this 20th day of May, 2021.



HONORABLE ROBERT S. LASNIK  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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